

**HOUSE BILL NO. 185**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Introduced: 1/21/20

Referred: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Transportation

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and providing for an effective**  
2 **date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 05.25.055(i) is amended to read:

5 (i) The following boats are exempt from the numbering and registration  
6 provisions of this section:

7 (1) a boat that

8 (A) is not a barge;

9 (B) is operated in this state for a period not exceeding 90  
10 consecutive days; and

11 (C) has a current, valid certificate of number issued by another  
12 state having a federally approved numbering system;

13 (2) a foreign boat operated in water of the state for a period not  
14 exceeding 90 consecutive days;

1 (3) a boat owned by the United States or an entity or political  
2 subdivision of the United States, or a boat owned by a state or an entity or political  
3 subdivision of a state;

4 (4) a boat that is not equipped with mechanical propulsion;

5 (5) a boat with a valid document to operate the boat that is issued by a  
6 foreign government;

7 (6) a handmade nonmotorized umiaq with a walrus or sealskin  
8 covering;

9 (7) **a commercial vessel that has a valid license issued under**  
10 **AS 16.05.490 or 16.05.530;**

11 **(8)** a boat that

12 (A) is a barge;

13 (B) is operated in this state for a period not exceeding 60  
14 consecutive days; and

15 (C) has a current, valid certificate of number issued by another  
16 state having a federally approved numbering system.

17 \* **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
18 read:

19 RETROACTIVITY. Section 1 of this Act is retroactive to January 1, 2020.

20 \* **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).